

A Look at Public/Private Competition

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Background

- 95 BRAC Decision
 - Close McClellan AFB
 - Realign Kelly AFB (Close Depot)
 - Realign depot maintenance workload
- Realignment Through
 - Movement to other Government depots
 - Core workload or combine with existing capability
 - Public/Private Competition
 - Determine source that provides best value in providing mission support

Background (Cont'd)Competition: What the statutes say...

- Core logistics capability will be retained in house
- Can not contract out more than 40% of annual maintenance dollars (60/40 rule)
- Can not change maintenance work over \$3 million from public to private without Public/Private competition
- If move workload to private source must demonstrate lower cost

Needed Procedures & Strategies to Fit

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Refined Strategy

San Antonio:

Annual \$ Two part approach **Workers** C-5 Business Area \$155M 1200 \$240-700M 1100-3000+ Engines*

- Public/private decisions:
 - C-5: Aug 97
 - Engines: Jan 98

Sacramento:

Consolidated workload - single contract \$220M 2200+

Annual \$

Workers

038-4

- A-10, KC 135
- Hydraulics
- Instruments/Elec Accessories
- Software
- Public/Private decision, Jan 98

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Dependent on 60/40 headroom

Public/Private Competition Improving the Process

- Began in Early 90's
 - AFMC held approximately 30 competitions
 - Discontinued in 94 amid allegations of "Unlevel Playing Field" -- Depots inability to forecast and collect costs
- Competitions determined best approach to placing noncore workload at closing depots -- Best Value
- Improved process required to ensure all relevant costs considered and to enhance fairness & equity

Improving the Process (Cont'd)

- DoD and AF established new procedures (e.g.)
 - DCAA validation of depot cost systems
 - Source Selection Authority can have no management involvement with competing depots
 - Depot past performance addressed
 - Evaluation cost adjustments: Taxes, Cost of Capital, depreciation, etc.

Equal Treatment of Public & Private Offerors

Public/Private Competition Executing the Process

- Competing depots identified -- Can Team
 - C-5: WR-ALC
 - Engines: OC-ALC
 - Sacramento consolidated workload: OO-ALC
- Buyer/Seller relationships established
- Following source selection procedures
- Total Evaluated Cost a major evaluation consideration
 - "Dollarize" significant discriminators

The Debate Continues

- How large of a depot structure is needed?
- How to define core capability and accomplish it?
- How to best size depot structure?
 - By declaration (60/40)?
 - By optimal mix of Public and Private sources?
 - Elements of Air Force plan include
 - Retain public depot infrastructure at efficient levels -- core workload
 - Public/private competitions for non-core workload
 - Improve efficiency through facility elimination and industry partnering

The Debate Continues

- How to implement BRAC closure mandates
 - Depots versus COMPETITIONS versus privatization
- How to conduct fair Public/Private Competitions
 - Improvements made to enhance equity and fairness
 - Will continue working the process